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Executive Secretary  
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT  
THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE  
THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE  
THE SECRETARY OF ENERGY  
THE DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET  
- DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE  
UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE  
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CHAIRMAN, COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISORS  
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR CABINET AFFAIRS  
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR POLICY DEVELOPMENT  
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT & DEPUTY TO THE CHIEF  
OF STAFF

SUBJECT Senior Interdepartmental Group on  
International Economic Policy

Attached are the minutes of the SIG-IEP meeting held on  
October 13.

  
David E. Pickford  
Executive Secretary

Attachment

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SENIOR INTERDEPARTMENTAL GROUP-INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY

October 13, 1983  
Room 208  
Old Executive Office Building  
4:30 p.m.

Attendees:

Treasury

Secretary Regan, Chairman  
Marc E. Leland  
John M. Walker  
William Von Raab

Office of the Vice President  
G. Philip Hughes

State

W. Allen Wallis  
Richard McCormack

Defense

Fred Ikle  
Dov Zakheim

Justice

Jonathan Rose  
J. Michael Shepherd  
Theodore Olson

Agriculture

John R. Block  
Jhani Laupus

Commerce

Malcolm Baldrige  
Lionel M. Olmer

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Alton G. Keel

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William Triplett

CEA

Martin S. Feldstein  
Jeffrey Frankel  
William Niskanen  
Dave Henderson

White House

Richard G. Darman

Cabinet Affairs

Larry Herbolzheimer

DOE

William Silvey  
Jan Mares

OPD

John S. Svahn  
Roger B. Porter

NSC

William Martin  
Roger Robinson

Slave Labor Import Restrictions

The Chairman opened the meeting by suggesting that the SIG be briefed by Customs Commissioner Von Raab and Treasury Assistant Secretary for Enforcement Walker on the recent controversy sparked by a front page New York Times article about imports of goods which have been produced by slave labor. The authorities noted that such goods are restricted from entering the United States on the basis of a seventy year old law. Enforcement is difficult primarily because of problems associated with tracing the origins of the goods, and also because it is not always possible to obtain conclusive evidence of the use of slave labor in specific cases.

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Items which have been identified in the past include lumber, furniture, some auto parts and minerals, including petroleum. Of over \$229 million in trade between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R., only a small portion is believed to originate in labor camps. Other countries which are believed to export such goods could include the PRC and East Germany. The Chairman concluded the discussion by noting that State, CIA and Treasury would continue their ongoing activities to see what evidence exists as to violators of the statute and how the law ought to be enforced.

#### Export Administration Act

The Chairman then asked the SIG to consider the serious problem of a lapse of the Export Administration Act. After a thorough discussion, the SIG agreed to recommend that the President invoke the International Economic Emergency Powers Act to ensure the continuation of the President's discretionary authority to control U.S. exports for reasons of national security, foreign policy, or short supply.

#### U.S.-Japan Energy Working Group

Allen Wallis presented a status report on the U.S.-Japan Energy Working Group, outlining the main features of a joint statement to be issued during the President's visit to Japan. Secretary Baldrige strongly cautioned that we not be satisfied with cosmetic agreements and that we get concrete action from the Japanese on opening their markets.

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